WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors is empowered under Section 309.67 of the 1995 Code of Iowa to establish maintenance policies for its Secondary Road system; and,

WHEREAS, the portion of any drainage ditch which lies on the Secondary Road right-of-way is under the control and jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors; and,

WHEREAS, the Secondary Road Department has been experiencing a great increase in requests for cleaning and deepening these existing drainages, removing brush, and reconstructing backslopes at considerable cost to the County; and,

WHEREAS, the above described drainage, brush and backslopes do not cause a permanent and lasting effect on the condition and safety of the traveled portion of the roadway or the drainage structures involved, the County will adopt the following:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Appanoose County Board of Supervisors in session this Sal day of Left., 1996, that the following be adopted as the County's "Ditch Cleaning and Brush Removal Policy" in order to reduce Secondary Road expenditures:

- The County will not clean or maintain any ditch that is silted in or filled by any other means that is not causing a permanent or lasting effect on the condition and safety of the traveled portion of the roadway or drainage structure involved as determined by the County Board of Supervisors and the County Engineer.
- The County will not push or cut brush from a ditch and backslope that is not causing a safety hazard as determined by the County Board of Supervisors and the County Engineer.
- The County will enforce the Code of Iowa as to soil loss limits resulting in the blocking of Secondary Road drainages.
- 4. The County will pay a predetermined amount of the estimated cost of ditch cleaning, brush removal and sloping within the Secondary Road System as approved jointly by the County Board of Supervisors, County Engineer and the property owner. Each site will be reviewed individually and the maximum amount paid per site will be \$500.
- The County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to limit the number and size of the projects.

PASSED and ADOPTED THIS 27 day of 5, 7, 1996.

APPANOOSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Attest:

Linda Demry, Appanoose County Auditor